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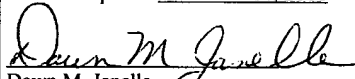
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME,
AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Honorable Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §114, this Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. This Reply is in response to the final Office Action mailed August 14, 2006. The period for response has been extended one (1) month so as to expire on December 14, 2006 pursuant to Applicant's Petition for Extension of Time filed concurrently with this Reply. Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees that may be deemed to be due or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0590.

Claims pending in the application are listed on pages 2 - 7 of this paper.

Applicant's Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.